

MINUTES

MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY

Special Meeting

Monday, September 17, 2007

Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: R. Favretti (Chairman), B. Gardner, J. Goodwin, R. Hall, K. Holt, P. Kochenburger, P. Plante, G. Zimmer
Member absent: B. Ryan
Alternates present: L. Lombard, B. Pociask
Alternate absent: M. Beal
Staff present: G. Meitzler (Wetlands Agent)

Chairman Favretti called the Special Meeting to order at 7:36 P.M. and appointed Alternate Lombard to act in Ryan's absence. He noted that the only two items of business on the Special Agenda for this evening were Files W1378 and W1380.

W1378 - Storrs Center Alliance, LLC - Storrs Center Project

Commissioner Gardner disqualified herself because she had not reviewed the tapes of the Public Hearing. Favretti appointed Alternate Pociask to act in her place. Favretti asked if there were any comments from Agency members.

Holt felt that the applicant's team made a real effort to stay away from the vernal pool and wetlands when creating the design layout of the project. She noted that due to the complicated drainage and stormwater system, she now agrees that it would be too difficult for Joshua's Trust to assume the management of the open space at this time.

Favretti stated that the Director of Planning, during the approval process, should pay special attention to the species of trees proposed in conjunction with the drainage systems to ensure that the trees are salt-tolerant. Holt asked that "Best Management Practices" be listed as a condition of approval.

Plante asked Meitzler if there were any indirect effects from filling a small portion of the wetlands.

Favretti noted no further comments from Agency members, and Holt volunteered to work with staff on a motion for the next meeting.

W1380 - Pond Place LLC - Northwood/Hunting Lodge Rds - housing project

With no discussion, Holt MOVED, Lombard seconded, to accept the applicant's withdrawal of the IWA application for Ponde Place File W1380. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine K. Holt, Secretary